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Gov Washburn

S. B. Hinkley told me that he had  
recd a letter from his son Sam that  
he had a good prospect for Lieutenantcy  
in the Company, and that Sam was  
fearful you would not  
confirm his Election which  
is understood here to be necessary

The first part of the story  
I believe, but that Sam wrote  
any thing about Confirmation I  
do not believe - That originated  
with the father - I hope you  
will find it consistent with your  
sense of duty to confirm his Election  
and I hope if you do not, you  
will not confirm it -

I was  
very sorry to see it contradicted  
in the newspapers the report  
that you interfered in favor -



of Major Prince - He ought to  
~~have~~ been the Brigadier -  
Howard comes next. I trust  
the time has come when ability  
is to be the test of military appoint-  
-ments & I rejoice when I ~~the~~ saw  
one had a chief Magistrate  
who dared to do his duty in the  
respect. It is what we need  
Courage at ~~home~~ home  
Courage in the Army Courage  
everywhere where is needed - You  
cannot make a mistake in  
taking the responsible duty of sending  
to Washington all the men you can  
raise & all the men they want.  
Don't stand on trifles. The heart  
of the people will respond freely  
and generously to every effort  
you may make - A Cavalry  
Regiment, a Rifle Regiment  
A Regiment of Artillery, any thing  
so that the good work goes forward  
on.

Sam Hunkley is a good ~~boy~~  
fellow and has a good deal to him  
He has had a hard chance in the





W. H. McMillan  
Bangor  
Sept. 1.

of all your friends was there to  
see you become the first to  
the highest of all.

The time has come

is to be the first of all

— many of the best of all

most of the best of all

who does to do so all

respect. It is what we are

concerned at having some

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